

INFORMATION ON THE POLICE BOARD

PURPOSE

The Police Board is an independent civilian body that oversees certain activities of the Chicago Police Department. The Board derives its authority from city ordinance and state law, and its primary powers and responsibilities are listed below.

The Police Board:

- Decides disciplinary cases when the Superintendent of Police files charges to discharge an officer from the Police Department, or to suspend an officer for more than thirty days.
- Reviews, upon the request of officers, disciplinary suspensions of six through thirty days.
- Decides matters in which the Chief Administrator of the Independent Police Review Authority and the Superintendent of Police do not concur regarding discipline of an officer.
- Considers applications, conducts interviews, and submits to the Mayor a list of three candidates for the position of Superintendent of Police when there is a vacancy in that position.
- Adopts the rules and regulations governing the Police Department.
- Holds monthly meetings that provide an opportunity of all members of the public to present questions and comments directly to the Board. The Superintendent (or his designee) and the Chief Administrator of the Independent Police Review Authority (or her designee) also attend these meetings.

BUDGET AND ADMINISTRATION

The Board's total operating budget for 2013 is \$434,130. The Board employs two full-time employees. Three hearing officers serve the Board on an hourly basis.

The Board's sole office is located at 30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1220, Chicago.



ORGANIZATION

Below is a diagram of the organization of the Board.

